

FY24 Governor Recommend Budget – Sections for Review by the House Agriculture, Food Resiliency & Forestry Committee

Please see the introductory memo from Chair Lanpher for additional guidance for feedback. The B section budget information below does not include specific details yet as House Appropriations has not yet received the budget documents from the respective organizations. However, the B sections are not anticipated to contain funding associated with policy proposals.

Section	Agency/Dept	Appropriation	Proposal	Amount (all funds)	H Agr Position	Priority (high, medium, low)	Notes
Other Feedback (including other legislation requested with appropriations):							
	AOE		Local Purchasing Incentive		\$500,000	High	H.165 Existing program
	AAFM		H.205 Funding		\$250,000	High	H.205 New Base
	AOE		Universal School Meals		\$27,000,000	High	H.165
	AAFM		Farm to School	\$500,000	\$500,000	High	Existing program
	AAFM		VT Fairs and Field Days	\$200,000	\$200,000	High	Existing program
	AAFM		Sustainable Jobs Fund	\$100,000	\$200,000	Medium	Additional Base Funding to replace lost grant source
	AAFM		Working Lands Enterprise Grant Program	1,000,000	\$1,000,000	High	Committee supports increasing Base as feasible
	AAFM		Conservation Districts	\$362,000	\$3,000,000	High	New Base Funding
	PTT		VHCB		27,800,000	Support	Fully fund per existing statute
\$ Sections:							
B.222	Agriculture	Administration					
B.223	Agriculture	Food Safety					
B.224	Agriculture	Development					

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B.225	Agriculture	Resource Management					
B.225.1	Agriculture	Laboratory					
B.225.2	Agriculture	Clean Water					
B.704	FPR	Forestry					
B.708	FPR	Forest and Parks Access Roads					
ONE-TIME:							
	Agriculture		H.205 Funding		\$250,000	High	H.205 One time
	Agriculture		Sustainable Jobs Fund		\$400,000	High	
	Agriculture		Salvation Farms		\$500,000	High	
B.1100(11)(B)	Agriculture		Agriculture Development Grants	\$10,000,000	\$8,850,000	High	
B.1100(11)(D)	Agriculture		Working Lands Enterprise Grant Program	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	High	Shift as feasible to base funding
B.1100(23)	ANR-FP&R		Various initiatives	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	High	
B.1100(11)(A)	Agriculture		Electric Vehicle Charger Inspections	\$110,000	\$110,000	Medium	
B.1100(11)(C)	Agriculture		Food Safety Inspection Database	\$1,070,000	\$1,070,000	Medium	
B.1100(22)	ANR-F&W		Crop Damage	\$150,000	\$150,000	Medium	
B.1101(5)(A)	ANR-FP&R		1 Limited-Service Forester II	\$93,613	\$93,613	Medium	
B.1101(a)(7)	ANR-FPR	Federal Revenue Fund	Funds four IJA position in Sec. E.100(d)(2)	\$402,525	\$402,525	Medium	

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B.1101(3)(A)	Tax		Digitization of Current Use	\$1,750,000	\$1,750,000	Support	Ways & Means recommendation
B.1100(28)(D)	ACCD-DED		Rural Industry and Development Fund	\$10,000,000		Support	Commerce recommendation
			Serve, Learn, and Earn			Support	Workforce Bill
			Land Access			Support	General & Housing recommendation
			VT Foodbank			Support	Human Services recommendation
B.1100(28)(E)	ACCD-DED		VT Council on Rural Development	\$18,000	\$0	n/a	Request removed by Agency
LANGUAGE:							
D..101(a)(2)(A)		Agricultural Water Quality SF	Transfer from the Clean Water Fund	\$6,684,880	\$6,684,880		
D.101(a)(2)(B)		Lake in Crisis Program	Transfer from the Clean Water Fund	\$120,000	\$120,000		
E.100(a)(1)(A)(i)	AF&M	Executive Branch Positions	1 Consumer Protection Specialist 1				
E.100(a)(1)(A)(ii)	AF&M	Executive Branch Positions	2 Food Safety Specialist;				
E.100(d)(2)	ANR-FP&R	Executive Branch Positions	1 Communications & Outreach Coord., 1 Climate Forester, 3 Forester IIIs				
E.700	ANR/VEIC		Clean Heat Homes Program				

Relevant links:

- [FY24 Governor Recommend Web Report](#)
- [FY24 Governor Recommend Language](#)
- [FY24 Executive Budget Summary](#)